

Dakota High School Boosters
GENERAL Board Meeting: 2022/2023 Term Year
Agenda: Wednesday, October 18, 2023 @ 7:30pm

Board Members Present: Shari Burnham, Michelle Steinhebel, Dawn Schlitt, Joyce Cronin, Rachel Lasater, Karri Rogers, LaShira Wade

Board Members Not Present: Stephanie Gorecki

Student Trustee: Mario Quaglia, Anthony Vernengo

Administrative Present: Mr. Koskos

Participants: Heather Khami, Joan Abraham, Tricia Hemercyk, Kimberly Heugh, Phil Vernengo

- **Call to Order & Welcome-** Shari Burnham, President
 - Meeting called to order at 7:42pm.
- **Committee Reports/ Old Business**
 - **President Report-** Shari Burnham
 - **Secretary's Reports/Approvals-** Joyce Cronin
 - September General Meeting Minutes were presented. Motion made to approve by Shari Burnham. 2nd by Lashira Wade. Motion carried 15-0.
 - **Treasurer's Report/Approvals-** Dawn Schlitt
 - September Treasurer's report was presented. Motion made to approve by Shari Burnham. 2nd by LaShira Wade. Motion carried 15-0.
 - **Vice President Report-** Michelle Steinhebel
 - Nothing to report.
 - **Sports Trustee Report-** Karri Rogers
 - Girl's golf took 3rd place in the MHSAA Regionals on 10/10
 - Boys' tennis battled hard at the MHSAA Regional Tournament against Ike but were eliminated in the first round.
 - Boys' varsity soccer hosted a playoff game against Ford on 10/11 but lost 1-3.
 - On Saturday 10/14 varsity volleyball competed in the BOE Invitational. Girls went 3-0 in the 1st round. They lost to GR Catholic Central in the 1st round of gold matches.
 - Girls Cross Country placed 3rd in the Macomb County meet at Stoney Creek on 10/14. Boys' cross country took 2nd.
 - JV and Varsity football finish their regular season this week against OLSM. Freshmen team will not play due to OLSM cancelling their game.
 - Varsity football playoff seeding, and location will be announced on Sunday evening.
 - Softball submitted a donation request for a pitching machine.

- Fall sports coaches will receive a “thank you” email from Karri while winter/spring coaches will be emailed with Karri’s contact information.
- **Cultural and Fine Arts Trustee Report-Michelle Steinhebel**
 - Band/Choir concert-DHS auditorium, tickets \$5 each, this Thursday and Friday at 7pm. So far, 425 tickets sold for Thursday and 491 tickets sold for Friday.
 - Bake sale, 50/50 and winner of “Win the Band” will be announced on Friday.
 - Choir concerts: November 7- Varsity at OU Chamber Festival, November 25- Varsity at Detroit Zoo Lights, December 1- Show Choir at Macomb Twp Tree Lighting, December 10- mixed Varsity at Festival of Lessons and Carols at St Isadore Church, December 15- Holiday Spectacular.
 - Choir has their Krispy Kreme Fundraiser thru Payschool.
 - Mamma Mia! Opening night is February 1st. Performances will be Feb 1, 2, 3 and February 8, 9, 10.
 - Marching band is in the middle of their MCBA competition, last Saturday’s score at Novi was 80.75, best score from entire 2022 season.
 - Marching Band will perform on October 21 at Lake Orion, October 28 for the State Championships Prelim, November 4 at Ford Field for the State Championships.
 - Winter Guard will host a meet and spin for all interested district students in grades 8-12 from 6-9pm at the CVHS NGC on November 1 and 6.
 - Winter Drumline clinic starts November 8, registration ends October 29. Cost is \$20, the link is on Payschool Events.
 - Winter Winds clinic starts November 29, more information will be available soon.
- **Service & Scholastic Leadership Trustee Report-Vacant**
 - This position is vacant if anyone is interested in joining the Board.
 - From Mario Quaglia, Key Club is largest group in school with over 300 members. The group is looking for events that they can volunteer at.
 - From Anthony Vernengo, Walk-a-Thon is this Friday. The more money the students raises, the more they can earn in prizes. If all students reach the combined goal of \$50,000, Mr. Koskos will wear pink hair.
 - NHS held their induction meeting.
- **Volunteer/Donation Trustee- Joyce Cronin**
 - 1st payout for Fall Earned credits earned thru September 30 has been paid out. 171.50 credits for a value of \$6,860 has been paid.
 - Reminder, if your group needs a list of volunteers who earned credit for your group, please email dakotaboosters@gmail.com with the request. The request needs to come from the teacher/coach who oversees that group.

- The Board has approved the following donation requests:
 - Dance requested \$1507.74 for new JV uniform tops.
 - Baseball requested \$507.97 for championship t-shirts. The team played in the State semi-finals.
 - Softball requested \$3,499.00 for a pitching machine.
 - **Marketing Report-** Stephanie Gorecki
 - The website has been updated, lots of modifications. You can purchase blankets and hoodies there also.
 - **Concession Report-** Rachel Lasater/Joyce Cronin
 - The stanchions are helping with crowd control at concessions. We have had a good volunteer group assisting us.
 - There is a JV football game Thursday and a Cross Country meet on Saturday. We may still have a Varsity football game. If we do, we will add it on the Signup Genius.
 - We are working on getting the winter sports schedule to create the next season's concession events.
 - **Craft Show Trustee Report-** Shari Burnham
 - Craft show is sold out with 203 crafters. There is a waitlist of 50 crafters for any openings. Last minute details are being taken care of. We have advertised in C&G newspaper and Macomb Daily along with social media.
 - The goal is to have 5000 shoppers walk thru the doors.
 - Boosters will have blankets and hoodies available to purchase at the show in the concession/kitchen area.
 - There have been scammers on social media trying to take crafters money. Please tell people the show is sold out if you aware of someone trying to sign up in the show.
 - We are working on a system for crafters to get help from us during the show for change, bathroom break, etc.
 - The craft show is the largest event we host to raise money. We are very thankful for all the volunteers and crafters who are a part of the event.
 - **Student Trustee-**
 - From Mario: there is a can food drive October 30 to November 3. The class that collects the most will win a prize.
 - The senior tailgate was held at the last Varsity football game. 80 seniors attended. The athletic director cooked hot dogs-160, the group played games and ate at their tailgate.
 - From Anthony: the Instagram page is now up.
- **School Administrative Report-Attending Administrators-Mr Koskos**
 - It was a nice HOCO celebration, 1600 students attended the dance.

- School opened the Media Center Café, using the space differently than in past. It is staffed by the creative learning students.
- There were 100 new members inducted into NHS.
- PSAT was administered as a digital test. 641 juniors took it this way. The school voluntarily changed to this new way of taking it. It is an adaptive test, based on how the student completed mod 1, the program will modify their test accordingly. Students had to bring in their own laptops to complete it. There was a lot of help from the staff to make this successful. The students were aware of the seriousness of taking it.
- Furniture has been added to the atrium, giving students more space to spread out. The new areas are providing the students areas they can be comfortable in without being in the middle of the lunchroom.
- 2 AED's will be bought and housed in different areas of building. The current ones will not accommodate every area of the school in an emergency.
- Suicide Prevention walk was last weekend.
- Select staff attended a conference on AI. It was very informative and there was a lot of takeaways on it.
- Haunted Hallway by Project Kind is October 27.
- **New Business Update**
- **Open Discussion & Attendee Questions**
 - Shari thanked Phil Vernengo from the Board for his assistance with running Cougarfest before the homecoming game.
 - Next meeting will be November 15.
- **Adjournment**
 - Meeting adjourned at 8:35pm.